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TO: IMMEDIATE WHITE HOUSE//SITUATION ROOM FOR MR FAZIO. *with SS*

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DATE: JUNE 13, 1974

SUBJECT: MILITARY TAKEOVER IN NORTH YEMEN

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A MILITARY COMMAND COUNCIL LED BY THE RIGHTIST DEPUTY COMMANDER OF THE ARMED FORCES HAMDY TOOK POWER TODAY; SANA DOMESTIC RADIO AT 1354 EDT ANNOUNCED THAT MARTIAL LAW HAD BEEN DECLARED.

THE CRISIS DEVELOPED OVER DEMANDS BY THE HEAD OF THE CONSULTATIVE ASSEMBLY, SHEIKH AL-AHMAR, FOR THE RESIGNATION OF PRESIDENT IRYANI. AL-AHMAR AND OTHER CONSERVATIVE ELEMENTS CHASTISED IRYANI FOR NOT TAKING SUFFICIENTLY FIRM MEASURES WITH IRAQ AND BAATHI PLOTTERS AFTER DISCOVERING AN ILL-CONCEIVED SCHEME TO TOPPLE THE SANA GOVERNMENT. PRESIDENT IRYANI RESIGNED UNDER PRESSURE TODAY AND RETIRED TO HIS COUNTRY HOME

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FOR THE MOMENT, THE RULING MILITARY COUNCIL HAS ASKED PRIME MINISTER MAKKI TO REMAIN IN OFFICE. COLONEL HAMDI HAS POSTED TROOPS AT THE SANA AIRPORT, RADIO STATION AND OTHER KEY INSTALLATIONS. THERE IS SOME OF DANGER OF CLASHES, HOWEVER, BETWEEN THE ARMY AND TRIBAL FORCES OF SHEIKH AL-AHMAR, SOME OF WHOM HAVE ENTERED THE CAPITAL. AL-AHMAR HAD EARLIER INSISTED ON OCCUPYING THE CAPITAL WITH ARMED TRIBAL FOLLOWERS, EVEN THOUGH HIS OBJECTIVE OF OUSTING IRYANI HAD ALREADY BEEN ACHIEVED.

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